

MINUTES OF THE 2021 BC ATHLETICS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON AUGUST 21, 2021 BY RINGCENTRAL MEETINGS FOR REMOTE DELEGATE REGISTRATION AND VOTING

Virtual check-in for Delegates was opened at 10:00am.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 11:02am with Board Chair, Greg White, as the Chair. (*Refer to Addendum "A" for a list of the delegates in attendance*).
- Chair acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional, ancestral and unneeded territory of the Coast Salish people.

2. CHAIR'S WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

- Greg welcomed the club members and delegates and thanked them for attending.

3. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING PRIVILEGES

- The voting procedures and number of votes per club were listed on the BCA website. The voting procedures were also included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021.
- Quorum constitutes 32 votes. The Chair confirmed that a quorum was present. Refer to Addendum "A" for a list the voting delegates.
- The number of votes present when the 2021 BC Athletics AGM was called to order was 49 votes online.

4. URGENT MATTERS

- Chair announced the items of housekeeping and explained the voting procedures, instructions for participation in the meetings and the how delegates can submit questions and comments.

5. ADDITIONS OF THE 2021 AGENDA

- An agenda was posted on the BCA website and included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021. There were no additions to the agenda.

6. ADOPTION OF THE 2021 AGENDA

MOVED THAT THE AGENDA, AS PRESENTED, BE ADOPTED.
Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

7. APPROVAL OF THE 2020 BC ATHLETICS AGM MINUTES

- The minutes of the August 22, 2020 AGM Minutes were posted on the BCA website and included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021.

MOVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BCA 2020 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AUGUST 22, 2020 BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED AND AMENDED.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

8. **QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THE 2020 BCA AGM MINUTES**

- There were no questions arising from the 2020 BC Athletics AGM minutes.

9. BC ATHLETICS BOARD ELECTIONS NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee Report was noted on the agenda and included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021. Nomination Forms were available on the BC Athletics website for submission of additional nominations.

- Greg White, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, reported the Nominee for the Vice Chair Board of Directors position is Marcus Wong, the Director of Events and Promotions incumbent Jordan Myers is standing for election and the position of Director of Administration and Planning has not received any nominations.
- Director Zones 3, 4 & 5 incumbent Jasmine Gill and Director Zone 6 incumbent Darren Willis were standing for election, and the position for Director Zones 1 & 2 has not received any nominations.
- Rebecca Duchak, incumbent for one of the Athlete Director positions was standing for election and there have been no nominations received for the other two Athlete Director positions.
- Nominations and positions will be revised later in the meeting under Elections.

10. ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- The following written reports were posted on the BC Athletics website and are available on request from the BC Athletics Office.
 - a. Board of Directors
 - A. Chair Greg White
 - 1. Items of note
 - a. Report noted some governance issues and the associations relationships with the programming and funding partners.
 - B. Vice Chair Jim Hinze
 - 1. No items of note
 - C. Zones 1 & 2 Barb Drake
 - 1. No items of note
 - D. Zones 3 & 4 Jasmine Gill & Jacob Emerson
 - 1. No items of note
 - E. Zone 6 Darren Willis
 - 1. Items of note
 - a. Update from Kim and Randy in Oceanside, currently fundraising for the new facility, and confident that they will be able to go to bid for installation of the new track in the spring.
 - b. Nanaimo upgrade will see closure in October.
 - F. Zone 7 & 8 Cathy Johnson
 - 1. No items of note
 - G. Male Athlete Director Vacant
 - 1. No items of note
 - H. Female Athlete Director Rebecca Dutchak
 - 1. Items of note
 - a. Highlighted the recent athlete achievements
 - b. Congratulations to the BC High school graduating athletes who are looking forward to the competitions in the coming season
 - c. Happy to see that all competition types are now permitted, in accordance with the BC's Restart Plan
 - d. Highlighted some upcoming Challenges and Championships
 - I. Para-athlete Director Nathan Reich
 - 1. No items of note
 - J. Marketing & Communications Newton Hoang
 - 1. No items of note
 - K. Administration & Planning Marcus Wong
 - 1. No items of note
 - Strategic Plan
 - a. Planning the start date as the transition post covid to the next quadrennial
 - b. Town hall meeting to be held with the membership for feedback, then will come back to the Board for review. Will finalize the document as a road map for the next two years.
 - c. More details to come with an invitation for sessions to be sent in the coming weeks.
 - L. Events & Promotion Jordan Myers
 - 1. No items of note
 - M. Programs & Technical Development Tyler Heisterman
 - 1. No items of note

11. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- The following written reports were posted on the BC Athletics website and are available on request from the BC Athletics Office.

- a. Technical Manager Track & Field (including the 2021 Track & Field Records) Megann VanderVliet
 - A. Items of note
 - 1. Highlighted of sanctioned events and support of High Performance Program and Athletes
 - a. Chair asked about the high performance meets, like the pacific distance carnival, Saturday Night Light Series, Harry Jerome Classic. Megann noted they saw some olympic qualifying times and the higher performance series provided a chance to have BC athletes qualify at home which was considered a big success.
 - b. Even for athletes not qualifying, it gave them an opportunity to complete without having to travel
 - c. Megann acknowledged the Officials who went over and above this year and thanked them for their commitment, engagement and assistance. They couldn't have done the season without the agility of the officials.
 - d. Brian brought the membership's attention to the Records. Megann noted the Provincial, Canadian and World records set. Details included inthe Report for approval.
 - B. Track & Field Committee Tara Self
 - 1. No items of note
 - C. BC Summer Games
 - Megann gave a quick overview of the status for the games, being held next Summer in Prince George
- b. Technical Manager Road & Cross Country Clif Cunningham
 - A. Items of note
 - Thanked the Road Running and Cross Country Committees, noting their work is very much appreciated.
 - No records in Road Running for approval and Cross Country was only able to hold a virtual Cross Country Championship. Looking forward to an in person championship this year, October 23rd and will be sending a BC Team to the championships in Ottawa November 27th (Championships returning to Abbotsford in 2023).
 - 3. A lot of work completed on the COVID protocols and now very much into restarting events, primarily trail with some Cross Country events coming in. Will be hosting the whole lower mainland series as well and an in person Whistler series October 16th.
 - 4. Brian noted, in Clif's report, there was reference to some social media and athletics record newsletter which reflects back on the marketing and communications portfolio and increase seen in access, reading and subscribing.
 - B. Road Running Committee (including the 2021 Road Running Records)—Jordan Myers
 - 1. No items of note
 - C. Cross Country Committee
 - 1. No items of note
- c. Para Athletics Coordinator Katie Miyazaki
 - A. No items of note
- d. Masters Committee –Jake Madderom
 - A. Includes the 2021 Masters Outdoor Track & Field Records and the 2021 Masters Road Running Records, which were all posted online.
 - B. No items of note
- e. Officials Committee Brian Thomson
 - A. Items of note
 - 1. Comprehensive report provided.
 - 2. In the middle of modernizing the officiating program with programs from AC. Looking to address getting more officials into higher levels
 - 3. Successful at getting new officials into the program with online training.
 - 4. Successes and the modernization of the programs tie into the resolutions being proposed as getting officials into the higher levels requires more travel and funding is always and issue. Also trying to get access into the school communities for recruitment of new officials.
 - 5. Chair noted there was a small but very active group of officials this year. and thanked them for their hard work and progress in recruitment and training.
 - 6. Brian Thomson noted it's a great group of officials and a great group of athletes in BC Athletics and the National Committee. A good infrastructure to move initiatives forward.
- f. Junior Development Committee Dawn Copping
 - A. No items of note
 - 1. Chair thanked Dawn for her and the committee's involvement and work.
- g. Introductor Programs Coordinator Sabrina Nettey
 - A. Items of note

- 1. Thanked the Junior Development Committee for their continued work in this pandemic year. Thanked the committee leadership for their drive and leadership.
- 2. Hosted Junior Development Regional Challenge events as substitute to hosting provincial championships. Thanked the clubs who hosted and really stepped up with the short notice. Thanked the officials for all their work at the events as well. Positive feedback from clubs to continue the Junior Development specific meets in future years.
- 3. Thanked those who hosted coaching continuing educations sessions.
- 4. RJTW Track Rascal participation numbers have returned to 2019/pre-COVID numbers. Seeing more clubs hosting camps and registering Track Rascal athletes. Hoping to see this continue n future years with hosting over spring break and summer.
- 5. Hosted online RJTW courses to train more instructors for this year to support the programs and Junior Development events.
- 6. Restrictions limited in school programs but have had conversations with several school districts to have school programs restart and expand.
- Thanked everyone for their support of Junior Development, RJTW and the Track Rascals program.
- 8. Dawn thanked Sabrina for all her work with the Junior Development Committee.

h. BC Endurance Project

A. Items of note

- 1. Richard Lee was not able to attend the meeting.
- 2. Chair noted it was a success to be able to put on higher performance events in BC for the athletes.
- 3. Brian noted the project is showing great success, adapting and providing opportunities to get competition in to achieve olympic performance or solidify their performance.
- i. BC Throws Project Megann VanderVliet

A. Items of note

- Two major activations this last year development camp and throws summit for coach education.
 Tentatively planned for in Kamloops this year and then a virtual throws summit in November
 with goal to get big names from sport. Also a two day coach education seminar. Looking to
 continue to grow those initiatives.
- j. Sprints/Hurdles/Jumps Project Tara Self

A. Items of note

- 1. Did have a sprint hurdles camp planned prior to COVID. so something along those lines to be organized for next spring. Working with Megann to put together.
- 2. In the past years, warm weather training camps. Will depend on how it goes in the US with COVID, but would be nice to get back to warm weather training camps to encourage the athletes to attend.
- k. Coaching Education Jennifer Brown
 - A. No items of note
- 1. Membership Sam Collier

A. Items of note

- 1. Membership stats for 2021 will be available in January as numbers will include those up to the end of December. Will post on the website and will also send to all the clubs.
- 2. TrackieMe being relaunched between September 1st and the end of the year with improvements to the system. The registration system, TrackieReg, will be better connected to TrackieMe. Sam will let the club registrars know the exact date as soon as it's known.
- 3. Asked to keep member's information and the club information up to date on TrackieMe.
- 4. Can start renewing for 2022 as of September 1st for individual and club renewals. Clubs will need to renew before December 31st.
- 5. Not know yet if COIVD waivers will be required for next year. Sam will let the registrars know. Brian noted they will have to continue until BC Athletics knows otherwise.
- Sam thanked the club registrars and administrators for all their hard work this past year. It's very much appreciated.
- 7. Chair thanked Sam for all her hard work, especially given all the changes and updates to membership over the last 18 months.

12. SPECIAL PRESENTATION - 2022 & 2023 Athletics Canada National Track & Field Championships - Brent Dolfo

- a. To be held June 23, 24, 25 and 26, 20022 at McLeod Athletic Park in Langley
- b. Combined Championships to be embedded in the National championships as well as Para Athletics championships.
- c. In the process of adding race walk, likely to be held at the Mission Raceway, which could push the date to June 22, 2022.
- d. Meet will also be qualifier for Canada for the Wold Championships in Eugene later in the summer.

- e. Last National Championships held in BC was in 2004. Hoping that all the Clubs will join in terms of volunteering and opportunities for younger athletes.
- f. Striving to continue to make the championships free for those under 12.
- g. Hosting championships is the best opportunity to get the local government to upgrade the facilities. Have been able to do that again but do have a few issues to iron out, but making good progress.
- h. It was asked if there will be marketing and communications for volunteering? Brent noted, yes, Harry Jerome had an online sign up system. Looking to put something similar in place and providing links to the clubs.
- i. Brent offered for anyone to reach out to him if they has any other questions.
- j. Brian noted they were continuing to work with the organizing committee and facilities and expect things to move ahead well.
- k. Chair thanked Brent and the Committee for their work and noted it was a great venue for the event. The host committee has a history of putting on good events for the sport and believe the athletes are looking forward to competing. Glad there's an opportunity to host these events.

13. BREAK - There was a short break at 11:57am. The meeting was reconvened at 12:10pm.

14. FINANCE

- a. Finance Report
 - A. Items of note
 - 1. Report includes a graph of 2021 audited year end, operating budget and draft budget.
 - 2. Engaged BDO in regards to the annual financial audit. Clean audit by the association with no notes relative to necessary improvements to the financial accounting. Gerry Dragomuir, the accountant, has been very diligent with regard to the accounting and assisting with the preparation for the annual audit.
 - 3. Brian said Ota has indicated, in the report, the balance sheet at the end of March was robust. Finance committee will be meeting to discuss how to manage any significant surplus, to the association, from year end revenues and will bring forward recommendations to the Board.
 - 4. Ota thanked Brian and the Staff for their hard work and all their assistance through a challenging and changing year.
 - 5. Chair echoed Ota's statement of the challenging year and the numerous changes. A lot of added work was needed. Chair thanked both Ota and Brian for all their hard work. Survived and came out strong thanks to the hard work and diligence of all.
- b. 2020/2021 Audited Financial Statement
 - A. No items of note
- c. Board Approved 2021/2022 Operating Budget and Draft 2022/2023 Budget
 - A. No items of note
 - B. There were no questions from the membership.

MOVED THAT THE BC ATHLETICS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2021 BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

MOVED THAT THE BC ATHLETICS DRAFT BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 BE APPROVED.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

MOVED THAT BDO CANADA LLP OR OTHER AUDITORS AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BE APPOINTED TO PERFORM AN AUDIT OF BC ATHLETICS FOR THE YEAR 2021-2022 AND THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BE EMPOWERED TO SET THE REMUNERATION.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

15. CEO

- a. CEO Report
 - A. Items of note
 - 1. Brian thanked everyone for attending.
 - 2. Report references several things:
 - a. Facilities changes due to COVID
 - b. Insurance costs going up each year, this year significantly more than the previous year.
 - c. Awards pivot and adjust for the awards for 2020. Thanked Sabrina, Meghann and Clif and Jen Brown for all their work on the awards for outstanding performance and achievements.

- 3. The Strategic Plan 2017 2020 has been pushed out to the end of March 2022 due to the impact of COVID. Going forward Marcus will lead in the 2022-2024 Strategic Plan. Looking forward to that and the engagements with membership in October.
- 4. RJTW welcomed new opportunities for Sabrina's engagement with the Clubs.
- Coach education online with limited technical sessions managed well by Jen. Opportunity to get coach leaders upgraded.
- 6. Officials recruitment redefined the officials development pathway. Looking forward on retention to higher levels
- 7. Welcomed Meghann to Track & Field. Engaging the Clubs and Officials, providing professional development opportunities. Adding expertise to the Throws Project and working with he Track & Field Committee to bring back some important initiatives. Also dipping into facilities review with staff.
- 8. Road & Cross Country was the most severely impacted, having to go virtual. Opportunity to maintain contact with previous and new participants. Partnerships with Triathlon BC for Event Directors seminar which was quite successful. Cross Country camp going ahead in modified format and Whistler 50 hopes to return to in person.
- 9. Through Canada Post Community Foundation grant, para athletics position lead by Katie Miyazaki, engaging Clubs on Para-Athletics in an effort to help support them welcoming to para athletes and expand their capacity as a club.
- 10. Masters Please refer to their report. Records also included. Not able to be represented today at the AGM as the Track & Field Championships are happening today and tomorrow.
- 11. Competitions Introduced, with board approval, membership variances that expanded the participation. Open until the end of the calendar year. Hope to help with club revenue return and assist with increased participation and remove financial barriers.
- 12. Organizational capacity Able to maintain operations in many areas to provide programs and services, in a modified way. Able to retain staff with he federal wage and rent subsidies and recovery grants. Enhanced communication through the e-newsletter. Connected MLAs, Athletics Canada, branches, partners and Provincial agencies. Social media presence took a leap forward. Able to track and report on increased engagements through social media. Clif noted an increased number of subscribers.
- 13. Financial Resources took a hit over the last year. membership dropped 1500 over the last year which was an impact of 54% reduction on the membership revenue. Over the last fiscal, drop of 56% revenue but able to reduce expenditures by 42% (ex. national championships in 2021 due to travel restrictions). BC Government/viaSport Local Sport Relief Fund provided support, most recently with the viaSport Amateur Sport League/Series providing support to the BC Super Series and the Vancouver Island and Interior Road Running Series. Secured other grants to offset resources. Opportunities and funding were critical to helping Clubs and BC Athletics.
- 14. Strategic Plan Planned membership engagement October 13th and 27th, 2021.
- 15. Anticipate full throttle movement forward in 2022. Waiting to see case number drop again, but will need to dedicate time to reconnect with program partners and sponsors. Federal and Provincial governments will continue to be key partners. However core funding and gaming grants need to have a degree of caution and expectation as not sure where going in 2022 and beyond. Will be a three to four year recovery process to get back to pre COVID.
- 16. Infrastructure opportunity during covid for communities to do upgrading and enhancements.
- 17. Continue to enhance communication.
- 18. Thanks to the membership individuals and Clubs, Coaches, Officials, BC Athletics Committees, Board of Directors, Event Organizers, Sponsors, Parents & Volunteers. Your patience is greatly appreciated.
- Sincere thanks to Sam Collier, Jen Brown, Chris Winter, Megann VanderVliet, Katie Miyazaki, Richard Lee, Sabrina Nettey, Clif Cunningham and the summer staff - Jennifer Erickson and Kaleigh Churchmuch.
- 20. Chair noted his thanks to Brian and echoed his thanks to all of the staff for their hard work.
- ii. No questions were asked.

16. MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS (including Records)

MOVED THAT THE ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS AS PRESENTED, BE RECEIVED. Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

17. 2021 MOTIONS & ACTIONS OF NOTE

- The Board of Directors Motions & Actions of Note were posted on the BCA website and included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021.

MOVED THAT THE 2021 MOTIONS AND ACTIONS OF NOTE TAKEN BY THE BCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES, AS PRESENTED, BE ACCEPTED.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

18. RESOLUTIONS

- No resolutions were proposed before the meeting.
- A copy of the resolutions were posted on the BCA website and included in the links to the agenda emailed to all the delegates on Friday, August 20, 2021.

a. Post Secondary Club Membership - Team Roster Memberships

(Laurier Primeau/Hilary Stellingwerff) BE IT RESOLVED THAT "ATHLETICS POST-SECONDARY (SCHOOL) AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP BE AMENDED AND THAT THIS CLUB MEMBERSHIP TYPE BE SET UP TO BE ALIGNED WITH THE CURRENT "SCHOOL CLUB" AND "SCHOOL DISTRICT" MEMBERSHIPS:

- ATHLETES ON THE UNIVERSITY TRACK & FIELD TEAM ARE PERMITTED TO TAKE PART IN BC ATHLETICS SANCTIONED EVENTS WHEN THEY ARE ENTERED INTO AN EVENT BY THE UNIVERSITY.
- THE PERIOD OF VALID ENTRY FOR UNIVERSITY ATHLETES IS FROM SEPTEMBER 1ST THROUGH TO MAY 30TH.
- ATHLETES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY THE \$3.00 SCHOOL STUDENT DAY OF EVENT MEMBERSHIP FEE
- ATHLETE PERFORMANCES ARE NOT RECOGNIZED FOR RANKINGS, TEAM SELECTIONS, RECORDS, SERVICES, FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND OTHER BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH A COMPETITIVE ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP.
- ATHLETES WHO WISH TO HAVE THEIR PERFORMANCES RECOGNIZED FOR RANKINGS, TEAM SELECTION, SERVICES, FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND OTHER BENEFITS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE OUT A BC ATHLETICS COMPETITIVE ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP.

PROPOSED AMENDEMENTS:

- THE POST-SECONDARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEE BE: \$250.00 PER YEAR + GST
- ALL POST-SECONDARY CLUB COACHES MUST BE ANNUAL COACH MEMBERS OF BC ATHLETICS
- WHEN ENTERING A BC ATHLETICS SANCTIONED COMPETITION THE POST-SECONDARY
 TEAM, WHO ARE NOT COMPETITIVE ATHLETE MEMBERS OF BC ATHLETICS OR ANOTHER
 ATHLETICS CANADA PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL BRANCH MMBERS OR A NATIONAL
 ATHLETICS FEDERATION, PAY A \$3.00 BC ATHLETICS DAY OF EVENT MEMBERSHIP FEE.
- It was noted that Post Secondary Clubs will have one vote at the Annual General Meeting and Special Meetings of BC Athletics. It was also noted that the Mover and Seconder of this motion have provided feedback on the amendments and that the BC Athletics Board of Directors supports the intent of this motion and the amendments as outlined.
- Laurier noted that the motion represents UBC, University of Victoria, Trinity University and UBCO, but not Simon Fraser University, so not for all universities. Laurier provided further background for the resolution and noted that many are full members so this would not affect them as they would continue to pay full membership fees. This was to be more in line with what high schools pay.
- Greg White highlighted the proposed amendments and Laurier noted Brian emailed the amendments to both Laurier and Hilary and they were in agreement. It was confirmed that the amendments had been taken into account for the current resolution being proposed.
- Question was asked if the school membership allows for ranking. Laurier clarified it does not, and those university athletes who want rankings will have to purchase a full competitive membership.

Vote was called on the motion for the amended resolution Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

b. Entry Fees: BC Athletics Championship and Owned Events

(Greg White/Marcus Wong) BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ENTRY FEE FOR ALL BC ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS (TRACK & FIELD AND CROSS COUNTRY) AND ASSOCIATION OWNED EVENTS BF:

- INCREASED BY \$5.00 FOR THE 1ST EVENT ENTERED; AND
- THAT ALL OTHER EVENTS BE THE REGULAR ENTRY FEE (NOTE: DOES NOT APPLY TO RELAY EVENTS); AND
- THAT ALL REVENUE GENERATED THROUGH THE \$5.00 FEE BE USED TO SUPPORT BC ATHLETICS OFFICIALS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM THROUGH THE PROVISION OF

DEDICATED STAFF TO WORK WITH THE OFFICIALS COMMITTEE FOR THE RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, DEVELOPMENT AND RETENTION OF OFFICIALS; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- FOR BC ATHLETICS ROAD RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND ALL OTHER NON-STADIA BC ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP AS MAY BE DEVELOPED THAT CONSULTATION WITH THE BC ATHLETICS ROAD RUNNING COMMITTEE AND OTHERS AS DETERMINED, BE UNDERTAKEN TO CONSIDER THIS PROPOSAL.
- It was noted that the Board of Directors recommends support for this rule change.
- There were no comments or questions from the delegates.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

c. BC Athletics Officials Annual Membership Fees

(Brian Thomson/Bill Koch) BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ANNUAL BC ATHLETICS MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR OFFICIALS BE INCREASED TO \$30.00 + GST PER YEAR.

- It was noted that the Board of Directors recommends support for the rule change.
- Brian McCalder noted the implementation of the change in membership fee would be for the 2023 membership year.
- Question was asked about if the full \$15 would go directly to the BC Officials and it was confirmed that all of the \$15 would be applied to the Officials development programs.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

d. By-law Change Affiliated Clubs

(Greg White/Jim Hinze) BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE INTERPRETATION OF AFFILIATED CLUBS BE AMENDED TO BE:

"AFFILIATED CLUB" MEANS ANY ATHLETIC CLUB OR ORGANIZATION WIHIN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA RECOGNIZED BY THE SOCIETY AS HAVING A MEMBERSHIP CONSISTING OF AT LEAST FIVE REGISTERED MEMBERS;

- It was noted that the Board of Directors recommends support for this by-law amendment.
- Brian McCalder noted the bylaw amendment requires 2/3 approval (54 votes in favour).
- There were no comments or questions from the delegates.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

e. BC Athletics Hall of Fame - Masters Eligibility

(Jake Madderom/Harold Morioka) BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CURRENT CRITERIA BE AMENDED TO READ:

"MASTERS ATHLETES WHO HAVE HAD OUTSTANDING ATHLETICS PERFORMANCES OVER A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 10 YEARS AND WHO HAVE BEEN BC ATHLETICS MEMBERS FOR A MINIMUM OF 10 YEARS, WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR NOMINATION TO THE BC ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME WHEN:

- THEY ARE OVER THE AGE OF 65; OR
- THEY HAVE BEEN RETIRED FROM MASTERS NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS COMPETITION FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS; OR
- THEY ARE DECEASED"
- It was noted that the Board of Directors recommends support for this motion.
- As question was asked if the 10 years has to be in masters competitions and it was clarified that no, it's 10 years as a masters member.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

f. Recommendation to the BC Athletics Board of Directors - Updating the Gender Identity on the BC Athletics Membership Application form

It is recommended by the BC Athletics staff that the online and print membership application form be amended to read:

Note to Athletes - Athletics Canada and the Athletics Canada Provincial/Territorial Branches follows the International Olympic Committee (IOC), World Athletics (WA) and World Para Athletics (WPA) practice of separating athletes into male and female categories based on sex for competition.

Competition Category - please indicate in which category do you compete?

- Male
- Female

Gender Identification:

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Prefer to self describe
- · Prefer not to say

Indigenous Status:

- First Nation
- Métis
- Inuit

Citizenship:

- Canadian
- Other:
- Permanent Resident (date granted) __/__/
- Student Visa (date granted) __/__/

Birth Country: (with a lookup link)

- There were no comments or questions from the delegates.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

g. Recommendation to the BC Athletics Board of Directors - Minimum Age for Registration as a BC Athletics Official

Presented by John and Carol Cull

- A. As the current age to be registered as a BC Athletics Official is 15yrs. It is proposed that the minimum age be lowered to 14 yrs.
- B. It is recommended that this be considered and discussed by the Board of Directors and as needed with the BC Athletics Officials Committee. Proposed implementation is for the 2022 Membership year.
- There were no comments or questions from the delegates.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

15. ELECTIONS – 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- a. Board Executive Positions
 - i. Vice Chair Greg White asked for nominations. There being none, the vote was called.

MOVED THAT MARCUS WONG BE ELECTED AS THE VICE CHAIR. Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

- ii. Director Administration and Planning Greg White asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, The Chair noted the Board could appoint someone to the position during the year.
- iii. Director Events & Promotions Greg White asked for nominations. There being none, the vote was called.

MOVED THAT JORDAN MYERS BE ELECTED AS THE DIRECTOR ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

- b. Zone Director Positions (as voted by the clubs in the applicable Zones only)
 - i. Director Zones 1 & 2 No nominations received.
 - ii. Director Zones 3, 4 & 5 Chair noted there was one of two positions available and the Nominee was Jasmine Gill. The Chair asked for nominations. There being none, the vote was called.

MOVED THAT JASMINE GILL BE ELECTED AS THE DIRECTOR FOR ZONES 3, 4 & 5. Vote was passed by the delegates of the Clubs in Zones 3, 4 & 5. CARRIED

iii. Director Zone 6 - Chair noted the Nominee was Darren Willis and asked for any other nominations. There being none, the vote was called.

MOVED THAT DARREN WILLIS BE ELECTED AS THE DIRECTOR FOR ZONE 6. Vote was passed by the delegates of the Clubs in Zones 6. CARRIED

MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE NOMINEES FOR ZONES 3, 4, 5 AND ZONE 6, AS PRESENTED, BE ACCEPTED.

Vote was passed by the delegates. CARRIED

16. CLOSING REMARKS

- Brian McCalder referred to the Athlete Director positions and that a vote on any nominees from, the eligible athletes, should be brought to the Board. The Chair noted that the eligible members of the BC Team would need to vote for 3 Athlete Directors, one of the three to be a Para Athlete, and that there be a representation of each gender within the three directors. The nominees would then come to the Board for approval. One nomination has already been received, Rebecca Dutchak, and would be brought to the Board for approval.
- Chair acknowledged the tremendous work and accomplishments of all the athletes that went to the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games. Very impressive results. Congratulated the athletes that brought a medal home for Canada and BC.
- Chair also noted there was athletes competing in the upcoming championships in Nairobi Kenya and Paralympics, of which the schedules and athletes competing are noted on the website. Chair wished all the athletes well as well as the athletes competing in the Prefontaine Classic today.
- Chair thanked the Vice Chair for all his contributions over the years. Greg noted Jim joined the Board of Directors in 2014 as Director Events and Promotions and has been the Vice Chair for the last 11 years. Thanked Jim for all his hard work and both his and his wife, Mary's continued support of athletics.

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (Jim Hinze) THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED (1:17pm). Vote was unanimous by the delegates. CARRIED

Shannon Barrows, Recording Secretary 2021/08/21	Director
	Director

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Participating Delegate	Affiliation	Voting Status
Anderson, Tannis	OACS	V
Antscherl, Robert	OATF	V
Armstrong, Judy	KAML	V
Baker, Sean	OATF	NV
Barrows, Shannon	RECSCTY	V
Chinn, Brenda	BCWSA/WCRS	V
Clague, Ellen	VFAC	V
Collier, Garrett	KJAK	NV
Collier, Sam	BCASTAFF	NV
Copping, Dawn	NORW	V
Coutts, Ian	CITY	V
Cunningham, Clifton	BCASTAFF	NV
Danziger, Graham	VRTC	V
Dehal, Pete	OATF	V
De St. Croix, Maureen	OATF	V
Dhaliwal, Dayl	KAML	V
Dolfo, Brent	Special Guest	NV
Dutchak, Rebecca	BCABOD	V
Emerson, Jacob	BCABOD	V
Hall, Jessica	AVTC	V
Hally, Otta	BCABOD	V
Hamada, Dereck	KJAK	V
Hatch, Karen	OACS	V
Heisterman, Tyler	BCABOD/NTFC	V
Hinze, Jim	BCABOD	V
Kurucz, Marsha	UATH	V
McCalder, Brian	BCASTAFF	NV
Mece, Besnik	VOCA/NWSA	V
Mece, Tatjana	VOCA/NWSA	V

Participating Delegate	Affiliation	Voting Status
Myers, Jordan	BCABOD	V
Nettey, Sabrina	BCASTAFF	NV
Primeau, Laurier	TBIR/UBCT	V
Self, Tara	COQC	V
Sima-Ledding, Pay	OACS	V
tellingwerff, Hilary	UVIC	V
toll, Michael	VAAA	V
homson, Brian	OFF COMM	V
rustham Paul	VRTC	V
andervliet, Megann	BCASTAFF	NV
Vhite, Greg	BCABOD	V
Villis, Darren	BCABOD/AVIC/AVTC	V
Vong, Mackenzie	UBCO	V
Vong, Marcus	BCABOD/WVAN	V

Total of 42 Delegates